

NOT TO INQUIRE G. P. ATKINSON.

Camdens Deny That His
Fiancee's Indictment Is In-
tended to Annoy Him.

HEIRS' SIDE OF THE CASE.

Their Attorney Writes to the
Governor Regarding the
Grand Jury's Work.

Parkersburg, W. Va., June 23.—The heirs of the late Judge Gideon D. Camden are indignant over the charges made by Governor Atkinson, through the Cincinnati Commercial Tribune, that the case of forgery was worked up against Mrs. Camden by the Camden heirs to humiliate him, as he is to be married to Mrs. Camden.

Camden Sommers, of Clarksville, editor of the County Mail and Advertiser and grandson of Judge Camden, is one of the attorneys for the Camden heirs. He is well-known throughout West Virginia, and although a member of the Bar of the State, has never practiced his profession to any extent, but has been engaged in newspaper work most of the time. His brother-in-law, Charles H. Tannehill, editor of the Wheeling Register and Hoffman Sommers, his brother, is the senior member of the firm of Boughner & Sommers, insurance agents, of this city. The family feels bitterly the accusations of Governor Atkinson, and the following is a copy of a letter sent to the Governor to-day by Camden Sommers:

To Hon. George W. Atkinson:
Dear Sir:—I have just read a purported interview with you in the Commercial Tribune, of Cincinnati, under date of June 20, in reference to a recent indictment found against Mrs. Myra H. Camden, of this place, by the Grand Jury of Glens Falls County.

No Humiliation Intended.

You say in that interview that you believe there was an effort to humiliate you. In reference to this statement, I desire to say that this matter was called to the attention of the Prosecuting Attorney of Glens Falls County in June, 1896, and was assigned to the Grand Jury of that county, more because of the general election than for any other reason. The old attorney was going out of office and a new one was coming in, and, besides this, almost everybody was busy with political matters.

There was no Grand Jury at the February term of court, and it was not before this time that the matter could be properly brought before the Grand Jury. This action, therefore, was contemplated before you were talked of as a candidate for Governor of this State, and before there was any public announcement or even a rumor of your approaching marriage with Mrs. Camden.

You have absolutely no connection whatever in the matter. In your interview you explain the circumstances of the indictment by stating that it was merely a case on the part of other heirs of G. D. Camden to secure property which they claimed and which the Governor and Mrs. Camden claimed belonged to Mrs. Camden.

The Work of Attorneys.
The heirs of Judge Camden have absolutely no connection with this matter, but it is the action of their paid attorneys, active in their efforts to save their clients a small remainder left to them of a once fair and valuable estate. There can be no property now included in the assets of the estate to which Mrs. Camden can lay claim whatever, as she has been paid in full the \$108,000 demanded under a compromise agreement.

In your purported interview you declare that Mrs. Camden would not have any trouble in clearing herself, and that you would be married in spite of their efforts. There is no effort whatever on the part of the heirs to prevent your marriage, and as to Mrs. Camden being able to clear herself, they hope it may be true. I learn with pleasure that you will be here to deliver an address Thursday night. If you desire it at that time, a copy of the indictment and all the original documents referred to in the case will be spread before you or any one interested, either privately or in the presence of counsel, and if, after examination of the papers, you or any one interested can show that there is nothing in the case, or can even offer a plausible explanation of the unfortunate affair, the Camden heirs will be content to no longer congratulate the heirs of their distinguished relative upon a happy escape from this most unhappy situation.

I have the honor to remain, your obedient servant.

CAMDEN SOMMERS,
Attorney for Camden heirs.

Governor Atkinson Talks.

The Governor left here this evening for Clarksville, where he will make an address to the Masonic fraternity to-morrow evening, and on Friday will marry Mrs. Myra H. Camden, who has been recently indicted by the Glens Falls County Grand Jury. The Governor says that an effort is being made to give his wedding an unpleasant notoriety. The fact that the indictment and the announcement of the engagement came almost simultaneously he regards as an effort to embarrass the Governor and his prospective bride. Camden, he says, has been dead several years, and the alleged forgeries of his name to receipts were made before his death, the present prosecution having been begun by Governor Atkinson, says, only since the announcement of the coming marriage of Mrs. Camden.

There was considerable litigation over the settlement of the estate of Judge Camden, which left the bulk of the property to Mrs. Camden.

Governor Atkinson thinks that the charge will fall through, or that if the case ever comes to trial it will result in the complete vindication of Mrs. Camden. He is emphatic in his declaration that he will stand by Mrs. Camden to the last and says the affair is an effort on the part of other heirs to the Camden estate to secure property which they claim belongs to Mrs. Camden.

It is claimed that Mrs. Camden was authorized to sign the receipts which it is alleged were forged.

The Coffee Market.

The official offering for coffee contracts was unchanged to 5 points lower, with the exception of May, which showed an advance of 5 points. On early sales May was 10 points higher than last night's closing, and other prices were unchanged. There was some European selling, but local orders bought it. Hamburg buyers report the closing 1/4 cent higher. At Havre the market opened 1/4 cent higher, but later weakened in the day, closing with a net loss of 1/4 cent. The local market closed steady and prices unchanged from the official opening. Total sales were 13,759 bags. Closing prices:

	Bid.	Asked.
January	7.05	7.15
February	7.10	7.20
March	7.15	7.25
April	7.20	7.30
May	7.25	7.35
June	7.30	7.40
July	7.35	7.45
August	7.40	7.50
September	7.45	7.55
October	7.50	7.60
November	7.55	7.65
December	7.60	7.70
January	7.65	7.75
February	7.70	7.80
March	7.75	7.85

WHILE FAVORS LABOR UNIONS.

In Them, He Says, Trade
Maintains a Necessary
Organization.

NATURAL AND LEGITIMATE.

The Declaration Grew Out of
a Tentative Interview with
Samuel Gompers.

Washington, D. C., June 23.—"I regard the organization of labor as the natural and legitimate effort to secure its rights," said President McKinley today.

This strong declaration in favor of organized labor was made in the course of a conversation with Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, and Frank Morrison, the general secretary of the organization.

Mr. Gompers and Mr. Morrison came to the White House about 4 o'clock. They were admitted at once and the discussion became so interesting that the President neglected his drive. For an hour labor's interests and labor legislation were discussed in all their varied phases.

The anti-pooling bill to restrain the operation of pools and trusts causes the labor people some anxiety. President Gompers explained that the labor unions were afraid that they themselves would be classed as trusts and the penalties of the act applied to them rather than to the large combinations usually known as trusts. He thought an amendment should be made specifically exempting labor unions.

President McKinley agreed that the labor unions should be protected, and spoke of measures in which he had taken an interest in former years. He did not, however, seem to think there was much danger of their being classed as trusts or subjected to penalties.

"Unless you believe, as some people do," said Mr. Gompers, "that labor unions are an evil, I think you will agree with me that their existence should not be endangered by this bill."

"I do not desire to be classed with those who consider trade unions an evil," replied the President, and he finished the sentence with the words quoted at the beginning of this dispatch.

WHEAT PIT A PUZZLE.

Traders in a Quandary Over the Situation
and Prices at Variance with
Other Markets.

On 'Change, Wednesday, June 23.
Following are today's cash prices for staple commercial products:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat, No. 1 Northern	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 2 mixed	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Corn, No. 2 mixed	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 3 mixed	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Barley, No. 2	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 3	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Oats, No. 2	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 3	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Rye, No. 2	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 3	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Flour, No. 1	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 2	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 3	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 4	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 5	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 6	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 7	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 8	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 9	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 10	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 11	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 12	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 13	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 14	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 15	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 16	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 17	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 18	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 19	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 20	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 21	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 22	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 23	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 24	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 25	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 26	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 27	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 28	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 29	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 30	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 31	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 32	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 33	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 34	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 35	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 36	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 37	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 38	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 39	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 40	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 41	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 42	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 43	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 44	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 45	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 46	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 47	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 48	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 49	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 50	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 51	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 52	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 53	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 54	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 55	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 56	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 57	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 58	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 59	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 60	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 61	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
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Do, No. 67	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 68	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 69	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 70	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 71	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 72	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 73	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 74	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 75	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 76	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 77	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 78	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 79	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 80	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 81	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 82	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 83	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 84	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 85	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 86	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 87	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 88	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 89	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 90	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 91	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 92	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 93	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 94	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 95	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 96	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 97	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 98	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 99	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Do, No. 100	75 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2

Bewilderment over the July wheat situation was the feature of to-day. The fact was developed yesterday that there was a significant concentration, at least countenanced by one of the most powerful operators in Chicago. The mere hint of this was enough to greatly disturb shorts. July part of the day was spent over speculation in Chicago, opening at 82 1/2, selling between 82 1/2 and 82 3/4, closing at 82 3/4. The strength was in spite of an absolute lack of cash demand, a drop of 3/4 in the cash price at Baltimore, and of the weakness at Toledo and St. Louis. Speculation in December was neglected, suggesting considerable weakness but for the July excitement. Clearances were not large—23,000 bushels. Northwest cars were reported to be coming in at 100 cars a year. After the close of the market July wheat sold up 1/2 cent, making a 1/2 cent advance for the day, and the frightened shorts were heavy buyers of calls, which jumped 3/4, above the closing price of wheat.

Following is the day's range of prices:

WHEAT.				
	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
June	74 1/2	74 1/2	74 1/2	75 1/2
July	74 1/2	74 1/2	74 1/2	75 1/2
September	74 1/2	74 1/2	74 1/2	75 1/2
December	74 1/2	74 1/2	74 1/2	75 1/2
CORN.				
June	29 1/2	29 1/2	29 1/2	29 1/2
July	29 1/2	29 1/2	29 1/2	29 1/2
August	29 1/2	29 1/2	29 1/2	29 1/2
September	29 1/2	29 1/2	29 1/2	29 1/2
OATS.				